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INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al.)

- AGAINST -

ARAKI, SADAC, et al.

APPLICATION UNDER RULE 6 (b)(1) OF
THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE INTER-
NATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE
FAR EAST.

The day of June, 1946.

The abovementioned prosecutors apply to the International Military Tribunal for the Far East for an order dispensing with compliance with Rule 6(b)(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the International Military Tribunal for the Far East with respect to the document hereunder described, excerpts from which the said prosecutors desire to offer in evidence before the said Tribunal and for such further or other order as to the said Tribunal may seem meet.

Said document is entitled "The Way of a Subject", being Prosecution Document Number 1675 and Exhibit Number 141, said document being a book consisting of one hundred pages issued by the Ministry of Education in March 1941 for distribution to teachers and students in the Japanese schools and for general distribution to the Japanese public. It is desired to read into evidence certain excerpts from this book, copies of which have heretofore been submitted to the Defense, the book itself being placed in evidence for use by the Defense. The excerpts taken from said book will consist of approximately ten pages, said excerpts being offered for the purpose of proving the type of propaganda used in the Japanese schools, and with the Japanese public alike, in preparation for future wars.

This book is the only one in existence, all others having been destroyed by order of the Ministry of Education at the termination of the Pacific War and it would require ten days and approximately ten thousand sheets of paper to duplicate the same.

If this application is granted, no hardship would be inflicted upon the Defense as the book which has heretofore been introduced into evidence would be available to all defense counsel for such examination as they care to make. No hardship would be inflicted upon the defense counsel in connection with cross-examination of the person identifying the book for his testimony on this point was merely that the book had been published by the Ministry of Education in March 1941, had been distributed to teachers, students and the public alike and that as Minister of Education, upon termination of the Pacific War he had ordered the same destroyed.

s/ CARLISLE W. HIGGINS

t/ CARLISLE HIGGINS
Acting Chief of Counsel

TO -

The General Secretary,
International Military Tribunal for the Far East,

AND TO -

The Defendants.